

NEWS RELEASE

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UTAH FIRE RESTRICTION ORDERS EXTENDED AND EXPANDED

A Stage-II Fire Restriction Order has been implemented effective 12:01 a.m., June 25, 2002. The areas affected are:

Private, state and federal lands within Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington counties, including areas west of Capitol Reef National Monument and Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Private, state, and federal lands west of I-15 in Beaver County.

Dixie National Forest.

Moab and Monticello districts in Manti-LaSal National Forest.

A Stage-II restriction prohibits:

Open fires of any kind except within an improved campground, picnic area, or permanently improved place of habitation. Stoves fueled by petroleum or liquid Propane Gas are allowed.

Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or an area three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared to mineral soil.

Discharging or using any type of fireworks, tracer ammunition or other pyrotechnic device.

The following acts are prohibited from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Operating a chainsaw or motorized equipment for any purpose.

Blasting, welding, or other activities that generate flame or flammable material.

Operating a motorized vehicle off designated roads or trails.

There are additional local restrictions involving open fire and use of motorized vehicles, and some restrictions will vary depended upon land jurisdictions. Detailed fire restrictions may be found at <http://www.ut.blm.gov/fire/restrictions.htm>. People venturing into recreation or backcountry areas should check with local authorities.

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A Stage-I Fire Restriction Order remains in effect, or has been implemented, effective 12:01 a.m., June 25, 2002. The areas affected are:

Private, state and federal lands in Box Elder, Cache, Uintah, Daggett, Grand, Carbon, Tooele, Davis, Weber, Rich, Morgan, Wasatch, Salt Lake, Summit, Duchesne, Emery, Juab, Millard, Piute, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Utah, and Wayne counties.

Private and state lands in Salt Lake County east of Wasatch Boulevard and south and west of Utah State Highway U-111.

Fishlake, Manti-LaSal (other than Moab and Monticello districts), and Uinta National Forests.

Ashley, Wasatch-Cache National Forests except the High Uinta Wilderness.

A Stage-I Fire restriction prohibits:

Open fires of any kind, except in facilities provided for them in improved campgrounds, picnic areas, or permanently improved places of habitation. Stoves fueled by petroleum or Liquid Propane are allowed.

Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, camp trailer, building, or developed recreation site, or while in an area at least three feet in diameter cleared to mineral soil.

Use of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices.

Fire restriction orders will remain in effect until rescinded. Fire restriction orders do not apply to incorporated cities and towns.

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